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| REFERENCES | | |
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CB - Converted boxcar
 B - Boxcar
 F - Flatcar
 SSy - Heavy-duty flatcar
 RRym - " " "

troop trains between
 5 and 19 July 1954:

| Date in July | Composition of Troop Trains | Tons | From | To |
|--------------|-----------------------------|------|---------------|-------------------------|
| 5 | 8 CB, 6 B, 39 F | 820 | Kroepelin | Halle railroad district |
| 6 | 7 CB, 6 B, 14 F | 510 | Parchim | Neubukow |
| 7 | 6 CB, 1 B, 25 F | 555 | Sagard | Altengrabow |
| | 5 CB, 3 B, 38 F | 850 | Rueckmarsdorf | Neubukow |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 26 F | 900 | " | " |
| | 7 CB, 2 B, 21 F | 744 | Neubukow | Naumburg |
| | 6 RRym | | | |
| | 3 CB, 1 B, 9 F | | " | Rudolstadt |
| | 4 CB, 1 B, 9 F | | " | Eisenach |
| | 6 CB, 1 B, 27 F | 827 | Kroepelin | Naumburg |
| | 5 RRym | | | |
| | 10 CB, 4 B, 19 F | 790 | " | " |
| 8 | 1 CB, 7 RRym | | Dranse | Magdeburg |
| | 1 CB, 3 RRym | | " | Haldensleben |
| | 1 CB, 1 B, 6 F | 927 | Perleberg | Altengrabow |
| | 13 CB, 13 B, 24 F | 897 | Ludwigslust | Frankfurt/Oder |
| | 5 CB, 2 B, 10 F | | Neubukow | Wittstock |
| | 5 CB, 1 B, 5 F | | " | Werneuchen |

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| Date in July | Composition of Troop Trains | Tons | From | To |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|
| 8 | 10 CB, 1 B, 29 F | 791 | Sagard | Schwerin |
| 9 | 2 CB, 1 B, 10 F | 174 | Rostock | Altengrabow |
| | 11 CB, 42 F | 907 | Neustadt | Zehdenick |
| | 12 CB, 42 F | 891 | " | " |
| | 12 CB, 33 F | | " | " |
| | 2 CB, 4 F | | Wusterhausen | " |
| | 2 CB, 2 B, 13 F | 236 | Guestrow | Altengrabow |
| 10 | 4 B, 14 F | 512 | Altruppin | Dallgow |
| | 6 B, 13 F | | " | " |
| | 1 B, 1 RRym | | " | Neustrelitz |
| | 4 B, 14 F | 472 | " | Dallgow |
| 11 | 1 CB, 1 B, 10 F | 565 | Dranse | Parchim |
| 12 | 2 CB, 2 F, 11 RRym | | Schwerin | Haldensleben |
| | 2 CB, 12 F | | " | Magdeburg |
| | 6 CB, 4 B, 14 F | 511 | Ellerholz | Neubukow |
| 15 | 7 CB, 4 B, 19 F | 1,209 | Schwerin | " |
| | 3 F, 4 SSy, 6 RRym | | " | Kroepelin |
| | 8 CB, 4 B, 23 F | 1,086 | " | " |
| | 17 RRym | | | |
| | 10 CB, 6 B, 22 F | 1,066 | Neubukow | Dranse |
| | 4 SSy, 6 RRym | | | |
| | 1 CB, 3 B, 11 F | 850 | Riesa | Dranse |
| | 2 CB, 3 B, 11 F | 850 | " | " |
| | 10 CB, 10 B, 41 F | 1,200 | Dessau | Bad Doberan |
| | 9 CB, 10 B, 40 F | 1,100 | " | Kroepelin |
| | 1 CB, 4 RRym | 301 | Parchim | Dranse |
| 16 | 1 B, 11 SSy | 582 | Altruppin | Fuerstenberg |
| | 4 CB, 17 F | 334 | Neubukow | Dranse |
| | 12 CB, 4 B, 37 F | 1,000 | Chemnitz | Neubukow |
| | 12 CB, 7 B, 34 F | 1,000 | " | Kroepelin |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 7 F | 1,200 | Altengrabow | Perleberg |
| | 2 CB, 2 B, 5 F | | " | Wismar |
| | 2 CB, 2 B, 13 F | | " | Guestrow |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 9 F | | " | Dallgow |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 8 F | | " | Eberswalde |
| 17 | 3 CB, 4 B, 38 F | 922 | Neubukow | Velten |
| | 3 CB, 3 B, 12 F | 313 | Neubukow | Neuruppin |
| | 5 CB, 8 B, 35 F | 798 | Rudolstadt | Neubukow |
| | 3 CB, 1 B, 21 F | 492 | " | Kroepelin |
| 18 | 10 CB, 3 B, 41 F | 1000 | " | Neubukow |
| | 6 CB, 4 B, 28 F | 850 | " | Kroepelin |
| | 3 CB, 2 B, 20 F | 512 | Dranse | Neubukow |
| 19 | 1 CB, 6 F | | Dranse | Altengrabow |

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2. The following troop trains passed through the Magdeburg - Rothensee railroad station between 6 and 17 July:

| <u>Date in July</u> | <u>Composition of Troop Trains</u> | <u>From the Direction of</u> |
|---------------------|---|------------------------------|
| 6 | 7 CB with soldiers, 7 F with 1 x 37-mm AA gun each, and 22 flatcars with 26 trucks | Haldensleben |
| | 18 CB with soldiers, and 23 F with 26 trucks and 2 sedans | Haldensleben |
| 8 | 20 B with soldiers, and 25 F with 1 truck and 1 x 37-mm AA gun each | Haldensleben |
| | 22 cars with soldiers, 13 trucks, and 10 x 152-mm field howitzers | Haldensleben |
| | 10 B with soldiers, 10 F with 10 trucks, and 8 F with 1 prime mover and 1 x 152-mm field howitzer each | Haldensleben |
| 10 | 20 F with 1 truck each, and 9 SSy with 1 JS-2 tank each | Haldensleben |
| | 12 E with soldiers, and an undetermined number of F with 16 trucks and 20 x 122-mm field guns | Haldensleben |
| 8 | 5 E with soldiers, and 12 F with 1 truck and 1 x 88-mm AA gun each | Magdeburg |
| 10 | 1 E with soldiers, 2 F with 1 truck each, including E 6-48-21, and 13 RRYm with 1 T-34 tank each, | Magdeburg |
| | | 12 |
| 11 | 10 SSy with 1 T-34 tank each, | Magdeburg |
| | 5 E with soldiers, and an undetermined number of F with 8 M-13 rocket launchers and 15 trucks | Magdeburg |
| 16 | 9 B with soldiers, and 8 F with 1 truck each, | Magdeburg |

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17 2 B with soldiers, and Magdeburg
6 SSy with 1 JSU-122 each

3. Troop trains [redacted] observed
passing through the Wittenberge railroad station between 12 and 17
July included:

| Date in July | Composition of Troop Trains | From | To | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|----|
| 12 | 2 CB, 2 F, 11 SSy | Schwerin | Haldensleben | 2 |
| | 2 CB, 12 F | Schwerin | Haldensleben | 2 |
| 13 | 2 CB, 12 SSy with 12 SP guns, [redacted] | Haldensleben | Dranse | |
| | [redacted] | | | 14 |
| 14 | 10 CB, 10 B, 41 F with 16 medium AA guns and trucks | Dessau | Neubukow | 1 |
| 16 | 2 CB, 1 B, 7 F with 6 x 85-mm AA guns | Altengrabow | Perleberg | 3 |
| | 2 CB, 2 B, 5 F with 8 x 37-mm AA guns, and trucks, [redacted] | Altengrabow | Wismar | |
| | [redacted] | | | 3 |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 9 F | Altengrabow | Dallgow | 3 |
| | 2 CB, 1 B, 8 F with mortars and trucks. | Altengrabow | Eberswalde | 3 |
| | [redacted] | | | |
| | 4 CB, 2 B, 38 F with 16 medium AA guns and trucks | Chemnitz | Neubukow | 1 |
| | 6 CB, 3 B, 42 F with 22 medium AA guns, and trucks, [redacted] | Chemnitz | Neubukow | |
| | [redacted] | | | 1 |
| | 2 CB, 9 SSy with SP | Haldensleben | Dranse | 14 |
| | [redacted] | | | |
| 17 | 6 CB, 4 B, 41 F with 22 medium AA guns, and trucks, [redacted] | Rudolstadt | Neubukow | 1 |
| | [redacted] | | | |
| | 8 CB, 14 F with 10 M-13 rocket launchers | Stendal | Ludwigslust | 15 |

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4 CB, 8 F, 10 SSy with Haldensleben Dranse
T-34 tanks

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1. Comment. The information on troop trains from and to Wustrow in the present report and previous observations indicate the following movements of troops which held firing practices at the Wustrow AAA Range:

| Unit | Dispatched to | Departed from |
|--|---|---|
| 62d AAA Div | on 7 May 1954 from Dessau on the troop train | on 5 July 1954 to the Halle railroad district on the troop train |
| | on 16 July 1954 from Dessau on the troop train | |
| 13th AAA Div | on 7 July 1954, from Rueckmarsdorf on the troop trains | |
| 498th AAA Regt of the XXIX Mtz Rifle Corps | on 8 May 1954, from Naumburg on four troop trains, | on 7 July 1954, the bulk of the unit to Naumburg, contingents to Kindel with Eisenach as unloading station, on the troop trains |
| AAA Regt of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps | on 15 July 1954, from Schwerin on the troop trains | |
| AAA units of the 18th Mech Div | on 15 and 16 June 1954, from Dranse and Wittstock on the troop trains | on 15 and 16 July 1954, to Dranse on the troop trains |
| | on 18 July 1954, from Dranse on the troop train | |

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6th Gds AAA Div

on 16 July 1954,
from Chemnitz on the
troop trains [redacted]
[redacted]

31st AAA Div

probably on 20 June
1954 from Velten on
the troop train [redacted]
[redacted]on 17 July 1954, to
Velten on the troop
train [redacted]
[redacted]AA Artillery of the
12th Gds Tk Div; or
an air force AAA uniton 4 July 1954, from
Neuruppin on the troop
train [redacted]
[redacted]on 17 July 1954, to
Neuruppin on the troop
train [redacted]
[redacted]497th AAA Regt
of the XXVIII Gds Mtz
Rifle Corpson 17 and 18 July 1954,
from Rudolstadt on the
troop trains [redacted]
[redacted]

air force AAA unit

on 6 July 1954, from
Parchim on the troop
train [redacted]
[redacted]

air force AAA unit

probably on 15 June 1954
from Wittstockon 8 July 1954, to
Wittstock on the
troop train [redacted]
[redacted]

air force AAA unit

on 10 June 1954,
from Werneuchen on the
troop train [redacted]
[redacted]on 8 July 1954, to
Werneuchen on the
troop train [redacted]
[redacted]

air force AAA unit

on 12 July 1954,
from Ellerholz on
the troop train [redacted]
[redacted]Notes. *)

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Another report indicated that a medium AAA unit of the division from the Kochstedt caserne (3241) was entrained at the Dessau railroad station as early as on 11 July 1954. Probably the dates were confused.

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No Conclusions can be drawn on the troop train [redacted]

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[redacted] to Rudolstadt. This town does not belong to the area of the XXIX Rifle Corps. On 14 July 1954, a column of the unidentified AAA regiment of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps marched through Schwerin toward Guestrow probably for entraining.

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2. Comment. The troop trains from the area of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps possibly carried tank details to the Magdeburg-Letzling Heath area. On 9 July 1954, the unloading of nine tanks, probably of the 19th Gds Mech Div, was observed at the Magdeburg-Friedrichstadt railroad station.
3. Comment. The troop trains indicate that the following units were at Altengrabow:
- Between 8 to 16 July 1954. Probably tanks of the 18th Mech Div from Perleberg.
- Between 9 and 16 July 1954. Elements of the 3d Gds AT Arty Brig from Rostock and an unidentified artillery unit from Guestrow.
- Up to 16 July 1954. Probably a unit of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Wismar.
- Between 10 and 16 July 1954. Elements of the 2d Light Arty Brig from Doberitz.
- Up to 16 July 1954. A unit of the Fourth Gds Mech Army from Eberswalde.
- On and after 19 July 1954. Probably a component of the 18th Mech Div from Dranse.
4. Comment. On 2 July 1954, contingents of the 32d AAA Div moved from Frankfurt/Oder to the Bruegge area on a troop train. On 6 July 1954, a troop train of the division was observed on the Pritzwalk-Perleberg railroad line. Although the dates differ, the troop train on 6 July in the reference report possibly was identical with that on 8 July 1954 in the present report.
5. Comment. On 9 July 1954, an element of the 4th Gds Arty Brig which came from Sagard was unloaded at Schwerin.
6. Comment. The troop trains are reported for the first time. They probably carried units of the Fourth Gds Mech Army after termination of field exercises possibly in the Neustadt-Dosse area.
7. Comment. The troop trains were loaded with tanks and SP guns of the 12th Gds Tk Div.
8. Comment. Probably a rotation of tanks of the 18th Mech Div.
9. Comment. The troop trains were previously reported. The train weight indicates shipments of tanks.
10. Comment. The troop train probably belonged to the 12th Gds Tk Div.
11. Comment. The troop trains probably carried units of the IV Arty Corps which returned from Ruegen Island to Altengrabow after termination of firing practices.
12. Comment. the troop train carried a detail of the 53d Gds Tk Regt of the 5th Gds Tk Div probably to firing practices at Letzling Heath.

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13. [REDACTED]

14. [REDACTED]

Comment. [REDACTED] the SP guns probably belonged to the 153d Gds Hv Tk SP Regt of the 19th Gds Mech Div from Millersleben. Since a transfer of tanks and tank crews from other areas of the GDR to distant troop training grounds was previously observed, the troop trains with the above SP guns probably also belonged to this movement. Compare with the movement of tanks of the 1st Mech Div to Thuringia and 12th Gds Tk Div to Roerberitz. [REDACTED]

15. [REDACTED]

Comment. The troop train probably carried rocket launchers of the 399th (?) RL Regt of the LXXIX Ptz Rifle Corps to the Die Lewitzartillery range, north of Ludwigslust, for firing practices.

16. [REDACTED]

Comment. [REDACTED] the troop train carried elements of the 119th Gds Hv Tk SP Regt of the 18th Mech Div which returned to their home station after termination of firing practices with live ammunition in the southern sector of Letzling Heath.

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